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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I have a local company who provides my internet service. It is refreshing to be able to work with a small company who listens to me, and provides me with outstanding service at a very fair price. I switched to this company when the company I was with (one of the big companies) raised their prices. Trying to talk with a person at that company was time-consuming and difficult. My local company is easy to reach and they are available to help me.

I would have a hard time paying for internet if I had to be with one of the big companies (AT&T and Comcast) in my area -- their prices are much higher than what I pay. Being without internet would cut me off from the world, and make me isolated in my own home. I can no longer afford cable TV, so the internet is how I stay connected with the news, as well as with others.

My local service provider has switched to fiber optic cable so I have fast, reliable service at a very fair price. Please give small companies a chance and allow competition for the large companies.

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